













Kentucky Facts			
	Total Land Area:	25,388,000 Acres 39,732.3 Square Miles	
	Population (1990):	Total - 3,685,296	
		Urban - 1,910,325 Rural - 1,774,971	
	Farms: 90,000	Ranks 5th in Number of Farms to Texas, Missouri, Iowa and Tennessee.	
	Land in Farms: 13,900,000 Acres	Farmland accounts for 55 percent of the total acreage in the state.	
	Average Size Farm:	154 Acres	
	Number of Farms with Gross Value of Sales greater than \$10,000:	39,000 or 43%	
	Average Value of Land & Buildings (1998):	\$1,450 per Acre	
	Off-Farm Storage Facilities (1998):	218. Storage Capacity: 58,870,000 Bu.	
	Rated On-Farm Storage Capacity:	180,000,000 Bu.	
	Burley basic quota for 1999 is 309.4 million lbs.	Down 28.8 percent.	
	Lexington is the world's largest burley tobacco market.		
	Kentucky is number one in the thoroughbred horse breeding industry, ranking second in total number of Equine sold and first in value of sales at \$650 million.		
	Broiler industry has rapidly expanded with several new processing plants operating.		

Kentucky Crops Record Highs			
Corn	Yield	132 Bu.	1992
	Production	171.6 Mil. Bu.	1992
Soybeans	Yield	38 Bu.	1996
	Production	54.0 Mil. Bu.	1979
Wheat	Yield	60 Bu.	1994
	Production	28.6 Mil. Bu.	1981
Burley	Yield	2,710 Lbs.	1970
Tobacco	Production	551.3 Mil. Lbs.	1982

National Ranking of Kentucky Commodities			
1998 Crops		Production	Rank
Corn for grain	Bu.	135,700,000	14
Soybeans	Bu.	36,000,000	16
Wheat for grain	Bu.	24,750,000	21
Grain sorghum	Bu.	640,000	15
Burley tobacco	Lbs.	431,200,000	1
Dark fired tobacco	Lbs.	20,600,000	1/
Dark air tobacco	Lbs.	9,110,000	1/
Alfalfa hay	Tons	875,000	27
All other hay	Tons	4,830,000	3
Barley for grain	Bu.	441,000	20
Livestock & Milk		Number	Rank
Jan 1, 99 All cattle & calves		2,420,000	13
Jan 1, 99 Beef cows		1,105,000	8
Dec 1, 98 All hogs & pigs		520,000	18
98 Milk production, (000) Lbs.		1,710,000	20
Cash Receipts 2/	Dollars	Rank	
1997 Crops	1,654,874	22	(000)
1997 Livestock	1,978,054	17	
1997 Total	3,632,928	21	

1/Type 22 - KY Ranked #2, Type 23 - KY Ranked #1.
Type 35 - KY Ranked #1, Type 36 - KY Ranked #1.
2/Preliminary.

Kentucky Agricultural Exports		
FY 1996-97		
Commodity	Kentucky	
	1996	1997
	(Million Dollars)	
Tobacco-Unmanufactured	303.7	387.5
Live Animals & Meat (Inc. horses, excl. poultry)	209.9	189.1
Soybeans & Products	150.5	174.2
Feed Grains & Products	179.0	132.6
Wheat & Products	77.4	99.7
Feeds & Fodders	26.6	29.0
Dairy Products	3.5	3.6
Fats, Oils, & Greases	4.2	3.2
Hides & Skins	3.5	3.3
Seeds	.2	.2
Fruits & Preps.	.5	.1
Other	86.4	87.4
All Commodities 1/	1,045.5	1,109.8

1/Totals may not add due to rounding.

Kentucky Crop Production, 1998 1/				
Crop	Unit	Acre Harv. (000)	Yield Acre (Units)	Prod. (000 Units)
Corn				
For Grain	Bu.	1,180	115	135,700
For Silage	Ton	110	15.5	1,705
Tobacco				
All	Lbs.	231.4	1,992	460,910
Burley	Lbs.	220.0	1,960	431,200
T. 22 E Fired	Lbs.	3.8	2,500	9,500
T. 23 W Fired	Lbs.	3.7	3,000	11,100
T. 35 1 Sucker	Lbs.	2.5	2,300	5,750
T. 36 Grn River	Lbs.	1.4	2,400	3,360
Small Grains				
Wheat	Bu.	550	45	24,750
Barley	Bu.	7	63	441
Soybeans				
Beans	Bu.	1,200	30.0	36,000
Sorghum				
Grain	Bu.	8	80	640
Hay				
All	Ton	2,350	2.43	5,705
Alfalfa	Ton	250	3.50	875
All Other	Ton	2,100	2.30	4,830
Fruit				
Apples-Com'l 2/	Lbs.	-	-	9,000
Peaches 2/	Lbs.	-	-	1,500

KY Value of Crop Production, 1998 1/			
Crop	Unit	Value/Unit (Dollars)	Prod Value (000 Dollars)
Corn			
For Grain	Bu.	2.10	284,970
Tobacco			
All	Lbs.	1.928	888,425
Burley	Lbs.	1.911	824,023
T. 22 E Fired	Lbs.	2.250	21,375
T. 23 W Fired	Lbs.	2.250	24,975
T. 35 1 Sucker	Lbs.	1.973	11,345
T. 36 Grn River	Lbs.	1.996	6,707
Small Grains			
Wheat	Bu.	2.20	54,450
Barley	Bu.	1.30	573
Soybeans/Beans	Bu.	5.60	201,600
Sorghum/Grain	Bu.	1.95	1,248
Hay			
All	Ton	81.50	464,958
Fruit			
Apples-Com'l 2/	Lbs.	.284	2,556
Peaches 2/	Lbs.	.375	563

1/Preliminary. 2/Utilized production.

Livestock on Farms by Class January 1, 1999

Kentucky

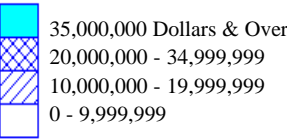
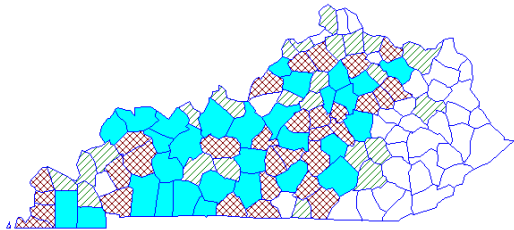
Class of Livestock or Poultry	(000 Head)
Livestock Inventory	
All Cattle and Calves	2,420
Cows & Heifers That Have Calved	1,240
Beef Cows	1,105
Milk Cows	135
Heifers 500 Lbs & Over	310
For Beef Cow Replacement	150
For Milk Cow Replacement	55
Other Heifers	105
Steers 500 Lbs & Over	225
Bulls 500 Lbs & Over	75
Calves under 500 Lbs	570
Cattle & Calves on Feed 1/	15
All Hogs and Pigs 2/	520
Breeding Stock	65
Market Hogs & Pigs	455
All Sheep and Lambs	21.0
Breeding Sheep 1 Year Old & Older	14.0
Replacement Lambs	2.5
Market Sheep & Lambs	4.5
All Chickens 2/ 3/	5,300
Hens & Pullets-Laying Age	3,750
Pullets 13-19 Weeks	580
Pullets Less than 13 Weeks	780
Other Chickens	190
All Equine	155
Equine sold (1998)	28

1/Animals for slaughter market being fed a full ration of grain and other concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better. Cattle and calves on feed included in cattle and calf inventory estimates by classes. 2/December 1 preceding year. 3/Excludes broilers.

CASH RECEIPTS

1997 TOP FIVE COUNTIES

(Dollars)		
1. Fayette	-	365,971,000
2. Woodford	-	189,662,000
3. Graves	-	169,505,000
4. Bourbon	-	128,804,000
5. Henderson	-	87,666,000



NUMBER OF LIVESTOCK FARMS, 1998

Operations with:	Farms
Cattle	50,000
Beef Cows <u>1/</u>	42,000
Milk Cows <u>1/</u>	3,400
Hogs	1,700
Sheep	800

1/Included in Cattle Farms.

KENTUCKY LIVESTOCK INVENTORY
RECORD HIGHS

Species		Year	Number (000 Head)
Cattle & Calves	Jan. 1	1975	3,750
Hogs & Pigs	Jan. 1	1872-73	2,190
Sheep & Lambs	Jan. 1	1867	1,180
Chickens		1944	14,321

KENTUCKY CASH RECEIPTS
FROM FARM MARKETINGS, 1997

COMMODITY	1997 <u>1/</u>		199 7 as % of 199 6
	Cash Receipts (000)	Percent of Total	

<u>LIVESTOCK PRODUCTS</u>	1,978,054	54.4	115
Cattle and Calves	649,698	17.9	134
Dairy Products	243,038	6.7	87
Hogs	140,519	3.9	90
Eggs	44,813	1.2	102
Broilers	184,149	5.1	150
Sheep & Lambs	1,267	--	169
Wool	34	--	103
Farm Chickens	248	--	82
Horses & Mules <u>2/</u>	710,000	19.5	112
Honey	266	--	116
Catfish	905	--	175
Other Livestock Products <u>3/</u>	3,117	0.1	101

<u>CROPS 4/</u>	1,654,874	45.6	90
Tobacco	730,142	20.1	90
Corn	297,908	8.2	78
Soybeans	323,776	8.9	110
Wheat	92,730	2.6	71
Barley	1,846	0.1	74
Hay	82,806	2.3	88
Sorghum Grain	2,496	0.1	50
Vegetables	30,118	0.8	95
Apples	3,230	0.1	75
Peaches	299	--	80
Other Fruits, Nuts & Berries	5,528	0.2	94
Other Crops <u>5/</u>	22,916	0.6	88
Floriculture	23,819	0.7	111
Other Ornamentials	37,260	1.0	113

ALL COMMODITIES	3,632,928	100.0	102
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-- Indicates less than .05%. Percent may not be accurate to .1 in last place because of method of machine computation. 1/Preliminary. 2/Includes stud fees. 3/Includes other poultry, and all other livestock. 4/Forest products no longer included in farm cash receipts, but are included in net farm income. 5/Includes sunflowers, rapeseed, canola, other seeds, other field crops and mushrooms.

LEADING CROP COUNTIES
(1997 PRODUCTION)

Corn for Grain

Union
Daviess
Christian
Henderson
Graves

Soybeans

Daviess
Henderson
Union
Graves
Fulton

Winter Wheat

Christian
Logan
Todd
Simpson
Hickman

Burley Tobacco

Barren
Shelby
Bourbon
Scott
Fayette

Dark Fire-Cured Tobacco

Graves
Calloway
Christian
Todd
Trigg

Dark Air-Cured Tobacco

Logan
Daviess
Graves
Simpson
Todd

Alfalfa Hay

Fleming
Hart
Barren
Hardin
Nelson

All Other Hay

Pulaski
Barren
Breckinridge
Warren
Shelby

LEADING LIVESTOCK COUNTIES

All Cattle & Calves (1/1/98)

Barren
Warren
Pulaski
Madison
Lincoln

Beef Cows (1/1/98)

Barren
Warren
Pulaski
Madison
Bourbon

Hogs & Pigs (12/1/97)

Nelson
Allen
Union
Graves
Hopkins

Milk Production (1997)

Barren
Adair
Fleming
Nelson
Hart

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